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Applicant: David Murray BANKS	)	
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For: "REED-SOLOMON DECODER AND	)	
DECODING METHOD FOR ERRORS	)	Our Ref: B-5181 621125-1
AND ERASURES DECODING"	)	Date: July 30, 2003

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CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION(S)

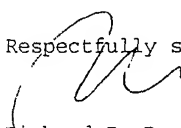
Sir:

This application is related to the following U.S. patent applications:

the application invented by David Murray Banks, Jonathan Jedwab and James Andrew Davis entitled "IDENTIFYING UNCORRECTABLE CODEWORDS IN A REED-SOLOMON DECODER FOR ERRORS AND ERASURES," which application is being filed on July 30, 2003; and

the application invented by David Murray Banks, Jonathan Jedwab and James Andrew Davis entitled "SOLID STATE STORAGE DEVICE AND DATA STORAGE METHOD," which application is being filed on July 30, 2003.

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CLAIM TO PRIORITY UNDER 35 U.S.C. 119

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[X] Applicants hereby make a right of priority claim under 35 U.S.C. 119 for the benefit of the filing date(s) of the following corresponding foreign application(s):

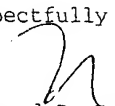
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United Kingdom	31 July 2002	0217847.3

[ ] A certified copy of each of the above-noted patent applications was filed with the Parent Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.

[ ] To support applicants' claim, a certified copy of the above-identified foreign patent application is enclosed herewith.

[X] The priority document will be forwarded to the Patent Office when required or prior to issuance.

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